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In re application of: Nock, et al. Docket No.: RO998-203
Serial No.: 09/259,361 Group Art Unit: 2126
Filing Date: 2/26/99 Examiner: Lao, Sue X.
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR COMMUNICATING BETWEEN COMPUTER SYSTEMS USING ACTIVE DATASTREAMS

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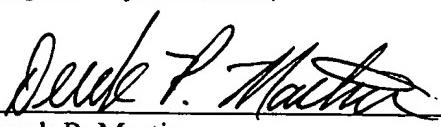
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